LAWRENCE TOWNSHIP

Report on Audit of Financial Statements
For the Year Ended
March 31, 2006

Michigan Department of Treasury 496 (02/06)

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1.	X		reporting	entity not	es to the finan	cial stateme	ents as necess	ary.		ments and/or disclosed in the
2.	X		(P.A. 275	5 of 1980)	or the local u	nit has not e	exceeded its bu	it's unreserved fund bal udget for expenditures.		
3. The local unit is in compliance with the Uniform Chart of Accounts issued by the Department of Treasury.										
4. 🗵 🗌 The local unit has adopted a budget for all required funds.										
5. 🗵 🗌 A public hearing on the budget was held in accordance with State statute.										
6.		X	other guid	dance as	issued by the	Local Audit	and Finance L	division.		cy Municipal Loan Act, or
7.		X	The local	unit has i	not been delin	quent in dis	tributing tax re	venues that were collec	ted for anot	her taxing unit.
3.	The local unit only holds deposits/investments that comply with statutory requirements.									
9. The local unit has no illegal or unauthorized expenditures that came to our attention as defined in the Bulletin for Audits of Local Units of Government in Michigan, as revised (see Appendix H of Bulletin).										
10.		X	that have	not been	previously co	mmunicated	d to the Local A	nent, which came to our Audit and Finance Divisi Inder separate cover	atterition don (LAFD).	luring the course of our audit If there is such activity that h
11.	X		The local	l unit is fre	ee of repeated	comments	from previous	years.		•
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13.		X	The local accepted	l unit has I accounti	complied with ng principles (GASB 34 o GAAP).	r GASB 34 as	modified by MCGAA Sta	atement #7	and other generally
14.	X		The boar	d or coun	cil approves a	II invoices p	rior to paymen	t as required by charter	or statute.	
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August 23, 2006

Lawrence Township Board Lawrence, Michigan 49064

We have audited the accompanying general purpose financial statements of Lawrence Township as of March 31, 2006, and for the year then ended, as listed in the table of contents. These general purpose financial statements are the responsibility of Lawrence Township management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these general purpose financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the general purpose financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the general purpose financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall general purpose financial statement presentation.

Management has not presented government-wide financial statements to display the financial position and changes in financial position of its governmental activities. Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require the presentation of government-wide financial statements. The amounts that would be reported in government-wide financial statements for the Township's governmental activities are not reasonably determinable.

In our opinion, because of the effects of the matter discussed in the preceding paragraph, the financial statements referred to above do not present fairly, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial position of Lawrence Township, as of March 31, 2006, or the changes in its financial position for the year then ended.

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COMBINED BALANCE SHEET-ALL FUND TYPES AND ACCOUNT GROUPS LAWRENCE TOWNSHIP March 31, 2006

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$\begin{array}{c} \textbf{Total} \\ \textbf{(Memorandm} \\ \hline \\ $		\$ 639,719	69,340	78,020	16, 785		460, 483	\$ 1,264,347
Account Group General Long-Term							\$ 460,483	\$ 460,483
Trust & Agency		\$ 13,963			16, 785			\$ 30,748
Capital <u>Project</u>		\$ 3,778	15,800					\$ 19,578
Special Revenue		\$ 439,129	45,660	39,824				\$ 524,613
Genera 1		\$ 182,849	7, 880	38, 196				\$ 228,925
	Assets	Cash and equivalents	Taxes receivable	Other receivables	Due from other funds	Amount to be provided for	retirement of long-term debt	

Liabilities and Fund Balance						
Accounts payable	\$ 6,016	\$ 42,621		\$ 1,215		\$ 49,852
Notes payable					\$ 460,483	460,483
Due to other funds	16,785					16,785
Accrued interest payable	3,881	14,627				18,508
Undistributed taxes and interest				12,748		12,748
Total liabilities	26,682	57,248		13,963	460,483	558,376
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Expendable tund balance	202,243	467,365	\$ 19,578	15,425		704,611
Non-expendable fund balance				1,360		1,360
Total fund balance	202,243	467,365	19,578	16, 785		705,971

See notes to financial statements.

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COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN EXPENDABLE FUND BALANCES LAWRENCE TOWNSHIP Year ended March 31, 2006

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	<u>General</u>	Special <u>Revenue</u>	Capital <u>Project</u>	Trust & Agency	Total (Memorandum <u>Only</u>)
Revenues					
Taxes	\$ 96,311	\$ 382,904	\$ 127,772		\$ 606,987
Licenses and permits	10,336	•			10,336
Intergovernmental	163,612	112,849			276,461
Grants from local units		11,500			11,500
Charges for services	12,683				12,693
Miscellaneous	12,872	45,337		\$63	<u> 58,272</u>
	295,814	552,590	127,772	63	976,239
		4			
Expenditures			·		
General government	305,470				305,470
Public safety		412,702			412,702
Public works	11,277	59,173			69,450
Community development	7,126	•			7,126
Debt service	<u> </u>		262,629		262,629
	323,873	470,875	262,629		1,057,377
Excess of revenues					
over expenditures	(28, 059)	81,715	(134,857)	63	(81,138)
•					
Beginning fund balance	230,302	385,649	154,435	16,722	797,108
Ending fund balance	\$202,243	\$ <u>467,364</u>	\$ <u>19,578</u>	s <u>16,785</u>	\$ <u>705,970</u>

See notes to financial statements.

COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES-BUDGET AND ACTUAL-GENERAL AND SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS
LAWRENCE TOWNSHIP Year ended March 31, 2006

Special Revenue Funds	variance ed Ravorable <u>et Actual</u> (<u>Unfavorable</u>)	\$ 382,904	45,337 45,337 552,590 \$ 57,371	מממע	85,237 85,237 478,945 470,875 8,070	16,274 \$ 81,715 \$ 65,441	385,649	\$ 467,364
	Amended <u>Budget</u>		\$ 495,		478	\$ 16		
7.5	variance Favorable (<u>Unfavorable</u>)	\$ 16,833 4,936 (3,808)	2,683 (2,033) 18,611	18,280	723 8,784 27,787	\$ 46,398		
General Fund	<u>Actual</u>	\$ 96,311 10,336 163,612	12,683 12,872 295,814	305,470	11,277 7,126 323,873	(28,059)	230,302	\$ 202,243
	Amended <u>Budqet</u>	\$ 79,478 5,400 167,420	10,000 14,905 277,203	323,750	12,000 15,910 351,660	\$ (74,457)		
		Revenues Taxes Licenses and permits Intergovernmental	Charges for services Miscellaneous	Expenditures General government	Fublic works Community development	Excess of revenues over expenditures	Beginning fund balance	Ending fund balance

See notes to financial statements.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS LAWRENCE TOWNSHIP

Lawrence Township is a general law township in Van Buren County, Michigan. It has a population of approximately 3,341.

1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared using the modified accrual basis of accounting.

A. Reporting Entity

In evaluating how to define the government, for financial reporting purposes, management has considered all potential component units. The decision whether to include a potential component unit in the reporting entity was made by applying the criteria set forth in GAAP. The basic, but not the only, criterion for including a potential component unit within the reporting entity is the governing body's ability to exercise oversight responsibility. most significant manifestation of this ability is financial interdependency. Other manifestations of the ability to exercise oversight responsibility include, but are not limited to, the selection of governing authority, the designation of management, the ability to significantly influence operations, and accountability for fiscal matters. A second criterion used in evaluating potential component units is the scope of public service. Application of this criterion involves considering whether the activity benefits the government and/or its citizens, or whether the activity is conducted within the geographic boundaries of the government and is generally available to its citizens. A third criterion used to evaluate potential component units for inclusion or exclusion from the reporting entity is the existence of special financing relationships, regardless of whether the government is able to exercise oversight responsibilities.

Based upon the application of these criteria, the financial statements of the Township include the accounts of all Township operations. The Township's major operations include fire protection, ambulance service, planning and zoning, road maintenance, cemetery, cultural and recreational services and general administrative services. The Township has no oversight responsibility for any other governmental entity since no other entities are considered to be controlled by or dependent on the Township.

B. Fund Accounting

The accounts of the Township are organized on the basis of funds and account groups, each of which is considered a separate accounting entity. The operations of each fund are accounted for with a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprise its assets, liabilities, fund equity, revenues and expenditures.

GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

 $\underline{\text{General Fund}}$ - The General Fund is the general operating fund of the Township. It is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

<u>Special Revenue Funds</u> - Special Revenue Funds are used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources (other than special assessments, expendable trusts, or major capital projects) that are legally restricted to expenditures for specified purposes.

Capital Project Funds

These funds are used to account for revenues and expenditures relating to specific construction projects.

FIDUCIARY FUNDS

Trust and Agency Funds - Trust and Agency Funds are used to account for assets held by the Township in a trustee capacity or as an agent for individuals, private organizations, other governments, and/or other funds. Agency Funds are custodial in nature (assets equal liabilities) and do not involve measurement of results of operations.

C. Basis of Accounting

Basis of accounting refers to <u>when</u> revenues and expenditures or expenses are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statements. Basis of accounting relates to the <u>timing</u> of the measurements made, regardless of the measurement focus applied.

All governmental funds are accounted for using the modified accrual basis of accounting. Their revenues are recognized when they become measurable and available as net current assets. Taxpayer-assessed income, gross receipts and sales taxes are considered "measurable" when in the hands of intermediary collecting governments and are recognized as revenue at that time. Anticipated refunds of such taxes are recorded as liabilities and reductions of revenue when they are measurable and their validity seems certain.

Expenditures are generally recognized under the modified accrual basis of accounting when the related fund liability is incurred.

D. Budgets and Budgetary Accounting
The Township prepares a budget for settlement day in March and a budget hearing is held at the annual meeting. The budget is adopted at the April meeting for that fiscal year. The budget is amended by the Township Board.

The Township exceeded the appropriated amount in various activities as shown on pages 13 and 17.

E. Total Columns on Combined Statements-Overview
Total columns on the Combined Statements-Overview are captioned Memorandum
Only to indicate that they are presented only to facilitate financial
analysis. Data in these columns do <u>not</u> present financial position, results
of operations, or changes in financial position in conformity with generally
accepted accounting principles. Neither is such data comparable to a
consolidation. Interfund eliminations have not been made in the aggregation
of this information.

2. <u>Property Tax</u>

Property taxes attach as an enforceable lien on property as of December 31. Taxes are levied on December 1. The Township bills and collects its own property taxes. Township property tax revenues are recognized when collected.

The Township is allocated one mill of the fixed allocation of the constitutional 15 mills. This year the Township levied .7012 mills for general operating, 2.75 mills for fire protection, .8 mills for the Quick Response activity, 1.4773 mills for library and .9761 mills for roads. In the summer, the Township also collects the State Education Tax.

3. Cash and Investments
State statutes authorize the Township to deposit and invest in the accounts of Federally insured banks, credit unions, and savings and loan associations; bonds, securities and other direct obligations of the United States, or any agency or instrumentality of the United States in which the principal and interest is fully guaranteed by the United States, including securities issued or guaranteed by the Government National Mortgage Association; United States government or Federal agency obligation repurchase agreements; bankers' acceptance of United States banks; commercial paper rated by two standard rating agencies within the three highest classifications, which mature not more than 270 days after the date of purchase, and which involve no more than 50 percent of any one fund; and mutual funds composed of investment vehicles which are legal for direct investment by local units of government in Michigan. Michigan law prohibits security in the form

of collateral, surety bonds, or other forms for the deposit of public money. Attorney General's Opinion No. 6168 states that public funds may not be deposited in financial institutions located in states other than Michigan.

The Township's deposits and investments are in accordance with statutory authority.

<u>Deposits</u>	Bank <u>Carrying Amount</u>	GASB Category <u>of Risk</u>
Insured (FDIC)	\$ 215,437	(1)
Uninsured	473,338	(3)

All of the above are in checking, money market savings accounts or certificates of deposit and are carried at a book balance of \$639,719.

GASB Categories of Risk

- (1) Insured or registered
- (3) Uninsured and unregistered

4. Risk Management

In lieu of purchasing commercial insurance for the risk of losses to which is it exposed, the Township Board has chosen to participate in the Michigan Municipal Liability and Property Pool (MMLPP).

The MMLPP complies with Act 294, P.A. 1972.

MMLPP services all claims for risk of loss to which the Township is exposed, including those risks selected in the declaration sheet and specifically described in the coverage forms and endorsement schedules attached to and made part of this plan.

Under this participation contract the MMLPP provides coverage for up to a maximum of \$2,000,000 for general liability coverage, \$2,000,000 for errors and omissions, \$5,000 for crime and \$1,449,732 for inland marine/limits and \$2,601,090 for buildings and contents.

5. The installment purchase agreements are as follows:

Installment Purchase Agreement - Fire Station

	Principal	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
July 1, 2006 July 1, 2007 July 1, 2008 July 1, 2009 July 1, 2010	\$ 60,000 60,000 60,000 60,000	\$ 17,855 14,284 10,713 7,142 <u>3,571</u>	\$ 77,855 74,284 70,713 67,142 63,571
	\$ 300,000	\$ 53,565	\$ 353,565

6. Construction Activity

During the year 2004, the Township began levying taxes to pay for the construction of a new library facility. This Capital Project is reflected in the Library Construction Fund.

Installment Purchase Agreement - Library

	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
February 26, 2007 February 26, 2008	\$ 79,043 <u>81,440</u>	\$ 5,617 	\$ 84,660 <u>84,290</u>
•	\$ <u>160,483</u>	\$ 8,467	\$ <u>168,950</u>

7. Long-term Debt

Long-term debt at March 31, 2005

\$ 819,517

Payments

359,034

Long-term debt at March 31, 2006

\$ 460,483

8. <u>Interfund Receivables and Payable</u>

<u>Interfund Receivable</u>

Interfund Payable

Cemetery Trust \$ $\underline{16,785}$ General Fund \$ $\underline{16,785}$

COMBINING BALANCE SHEET-SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS LAWRENCE TOWNSHIP March 31, 2006

<u>Total</u>	\$ 439,129 45,660 39,824	\$ 524,613	\$ 42,621 14,627 57,248	467,365	\$ 524,613
Housing <u>Rehabilitation</u>	\$ 16,201	\$ 16,201		\$ 16,201	\$ 16,201
Building <u>Department</u>	\$ 2,419	\$ 2,419	\$ 1,240	1,179	\$ 2,419
Quick Response	\$ 127,834	\$ 138,244	\$ 962 5,822 6,784	131,460	\$ 138,244
<u>Fire</u>	\$ 219,811 25,680 39,824	\$ 285,315	\$ 40,419 8,805 49,224	236,091	\$ 285,315
Road	\$ 72,864 9,570	\$ 82,434		\$ 82,434	\$ 82,434
, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	Cash and equivalents Taxes receivable Accounts receivable		Liabilities and Fund Balance Accounts payable Accrued interest payable Total liabilities	Fund balance	

COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES-SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS Year ended March 31, 2006

<u>Total</u>	\$ 382,904 112,849 7,651 49,186 552,590	189,582 281,293 470,875	81,715	385,649	\$ 467,364
Housing Rehabilitation	\$ 446		446	15,755	\$ 16,201
Building <u>Department</u>	\$ <u>26,121</u> 26,121	27,064	(943)	2,122	\$ 1,179
Quick <u>Response</u>	\$ 70,083 3,345 15,995 89,423	51,571 49,053 100,624	(11,201)	142,660	\$ 131,459
Fire	\$ 228,877 112,849 3,140 7,070 351,936	88,826 196,188 285,014	66,922	169,169	\$ 236,091
Road	\$ 83,944 720 84,664	22,121 36,052 58,173	26,491	55,943	\$ 82,434
	Revenues Property taxes FEMA grant Interest Other	Expenditures Operation Capital outlay	Excess of revenues over expenditures	Beginning fund balance	Ending fund balance

COMBINING BALANCE SHEET-TRUST AND AGENCY FUNDS LAWRENCE TOWNSHIP March 31, 2006

	Trust <u>Agen</u>		C	urrent <u>Tax</u>	emetery <u>Trust</u>		<u>Total</u>
Assets							
Cash and equivalents	\$	205	\$	13,758		\$	13,963
Due from other funds					\$ <u>16,785</u>		<u>16,785</u>
	\$	205	\$	13,758	\$ <u>16,785</u>	\$	<u>30,748</u>
Liabilities							
Deposits	\$	200	\$	1,015		\$	1,215
Undistributed interest		•		8,583			8,583
Undistributed taxes		<u>5</u>		4,160			4,165
Total liabilities		205		13,758			13,963
$(x_1, \dots, x_n) = x_1 + \dots + x_n$,	
Expendable fund balance					\$ 15,425		15,425
Non-expendable fund							
balance					<u>1,360</u>		1,360
	\$	205	\$	13,758	\$ <u> 16,785</u>	\$	30,748

BALANCE SHEET GENERAL FUND LAWRENCE TOWNSHIP March 31

	<u>2006</u>	<u> 2005</u>
Assets Cash and equivalents Taxes receivable Due from State of Michigan	\$ 182,849 7,880 <u>38,196</u>	\$ 196,711 7,880 <u>35,350</u>
	\$ <u>228,925</u>	\$ <u>239,941</u>
Liabilities and Fund Balance		
Accounts payable Due to other funds	\$ 6,016 16,785	\$ 5,758
Accrued interest payable Total liabilities	3,881 26,682	<u>3,881</u> 9,639
Fund balance	202,243	<u>230,302</u>
	\$ <u>228,925</u>	\$ <u>239,941</u>
	ANGES IN FUND BALANCE ded March 31	
Summary of revenues and expenditur Revenues Expenditures Excess of revenues over expenditur	\$ 295,814 <u>323,873</u>	\$ 302,684 289,738 12,946
Beginning fund balance	230,302	<u>217,356</u>

Ending fund balance

\$ <u>202,243</u> \$ <u>230,302</u>

STATEMENT OF REVENUES GENERAL FUND LAWRENCE TOWNSHIP Year ended March 31

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	Amended Budget	<u>Actual</u>	Variance Favorable (<u>Unfavorable</u>)	2005
Revenues	·	•		
Property taxes	\$ 55,500	\$ 61,123	\$ 5,623	\$ 55,123
Administrative fee	<u>23,978</u>	<u>35,188</u>	11,210	<u>31,967</u>
	79,478	96,311	16,833	87,090
Licenses and permits	5,400	10,336	4,936	11,780
State revenue sharing	167,420	163,612	(3,808)	165,601
Charges for services	,			
Cemetery	9,000	11,975	2,975	15,800
Miscellaneous	1,000	708	(292)	<u>2,999</u>
	10,000	12,683	2,683	18,799
Miscellaneous				
Interest	700	4,301	3,601	1,268
Sale of fixed assets	•	111	111	12,000
Other	14,205	8,460	<u>(5,745</u>)	6,146
	14,905	12,872	(2,033)	19,414
	\$ <u>277,203</u>	\$ <u>295,814</u>	\$ <u>18,611</u>	\$ <u>302,684</u>

STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES GENERAL FUND LAWRENCE TOWNSHIP Year ended March 31

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	Amended <u>Budqet</u>	<u>Actual</u>	Variance Favorable (<u>Unfavorable</u>)	<u> 2005</u>
General government				
Township Board	\$ 55,550	\$ 56,253	\$ (703)	\$ 44,438
Supervisor	15,575	15,571	4	14,130
Township Secretary	38,370	35,821	2,549	34,258
Clerk	18,485	18,326	159	17,334
Board of Review	1,760	1,590	170	1,224
Treasurer	22,600	21,284	1,316	19,966
Assessing	39,000	38,892	108	32,325
Election	8,500	1,285	7,215	8,209
Township Hall	8,400	7,234	1,166	6,107
Fire Hall	22,050	21,079	971	21,590
Cemetery	<u>93,460</u>	<u>88,135</u>	5,325	<u>75,135</u>
	323,750	305,470	18,280	274,716
Drains	12,000	11,277	723	
Planning	8,060	3,187	4,873	7,527
Zoning Board of Appeals	6,850	3,689	3,161	5,974
Library	1,000	250	750	1,521
	\$ <u>351,660</u>	\$ <u>323,873</u>	\$ <u>27,787</u>	\$ 289,738

BALANCE SHEET FIRE FUND LAWRENCE TOWNSHIP March 31

	2006	<u>2005</u>
Assets	•	
Cash and equivalents	\$ 219,811	\$ 158,390
Taxes receivable	25,680	25,680
Due on FEMA grant	39,824	·
	\$ <u>285,315</u>	\$ <u>184,070</u>
Liabilities and Fund Balance		
blabilities and rund balance		
Accounts payable	\$ 40,419	\$ 1,538
Accrued interest payable	<u>8,805</u>	<u>13,363</u>
Total liabilities	49,224	14,901
Fund balance	<u>236,091</u>	<u>169,169</u>
	\$ 285.315	\$ 184.070

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE FIRE FUND LAWRENCE TOWNSHIP Year ended March 31

<u> 2006</u>

			Variance Favorable	
Revenues	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	(<u>Unfavorable</u>)	<u> 2005</u>
Property taxes				
Operating		\$ 81,871		\$ 76,976
Truck		141,007	•	115,464
Grants from other		,		,
FEMA		112,849	•	
Township		11,500		7,000
Interest		3,140		664
Other		1,569	·	4,560
	\$ 323,084	351,936		204,664
Expenditures		•	. ,	·
Labor and employee		٠		•
benefits		44,525		33,785
Operating supplies		8,534		6,266
Training		1,622	4	1,441
Outside services		1,423		2,503
Communications		1,883		561
Insurance		6,286		10,467
Utilities		2,931		2,577
Repairs and maintenance		11,704		16,890
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Building additions and				
improvements		30,000		30,000
Equipment		53,338	•	49,566
FEMA grant purchases		112,849		
Interest expense		8,384		18,101
Miscellaneous		<u>1,535</u>	•	4,600
	205 225	205 014	22 221	196 959
7	<u>307,235</u>	<u>285,014</u>	22,221	<u>176,757</u>
Excess of revenues over	ć 1F 040	66,922	\$ <u>51,073</u>	27,907
expenditures	\$ <u>15,849</u>	00,922	\$ <u>51,075</u>	27,507
Beginning fund balance	-	169,169	,	141,262
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Ending fund balance		\$ 236,091		\$ 169,169
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BALANCE SHEET QUICK RESPONSE FUND LAWRENCE TOWNSHIP March 31

	2006	<u> 2005</u>
Assets		
Cash and equivalents	\$ 127,834	\$ 139,542
Taxes receivable	10,410	10,410
	\$ <u>138,244</u>	\$ <u>149,952</u>
Liabilities and Fund Balance		
Accounts payable	\$ 963	\$ 1,470
Accrued interest payable	5,822	5,822
Total liabilities	6,785	7,292
Fund balance	<u>131,459</u>	<u>142,660</u>
	\$ 138 244	\$ 149 952

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE QUICK RESPONSE FUND LAWRENCE TOWNSHIP Year ended March 31

2006

	<u>Budqet</u>	<u>Actual</u>	Variance Favorable (<u>Unfavorable</u>)	<u>2005</u>
Revenues Property taxes Operating Truck Contributions Interest Miscellaneous	\$ 90,135	\$ 54,720 15,363 14,447 3,345 1,548 89,423	\$ (712)	\$ 64,330 18,144 4,418 1,091 788 88,771
Expenditures Labor and payroll taxes Operating supplies Communications Training and education		25,125 3,838 806 1,642		24,871 3,612 1,464 3,218
Insurance Utilities Repairs and maintenance Equipment		2,432 3,297 2,983 28,053		6,943 2,684 3,369 1,667
Building additions and improvements Interest Miscellaneous	<u>70,360</u>	21,000 6,858 4,590 100,624	<u>(30,264</u>)	21,000 7,888 2,463 79,179
Excess of revenues over expenditures	\$ <u>19,775</u>	(11,201)	\$ <u>(30,976</u>)	9,592
Beginning fund balance		142,660		133,068
Ending fund balance	e e	\$ <u>131,459</u>		\$ <u>142,660</u>

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BALANCE SHEET LIBRARY CONSTRUCTION FUND LAWRENCE TOWNSHIP March 31

harata.	<u> 2006</u>	<u> 2005</u>
Assets Cash and equivalents Taxes receivable	\$ 3,778 <u>15,800</u>	\$ 138,635
	\$ <u>19,578</u>	\$ <u>154,435</u>
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Liabilities and Fund Balance Fund balance	\$ <u>19,578</u>	\$ <u>154,435</u>

STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES Year ended March 31

	<u> 2006</u>	<u>2005</u>
Revenues		
Property taxes	\$ 126,489	\$ 120,631
Contribution from Van Buren District		
Library	•	68,600
Other	1,283	414
	$\frac{-2,-35}{127,772}$	189,645
Expenditures	127,772	200,010
Building	1,629	496,005
Legal	1,025	2,811
	240 024	4,011
Principal payment	249,034	
Interest	<u>11,966</u>	<u>5,136</u>
	<u>262,629</u>	<u>503,952</u>
Excess of revenues over expenditures	(134,857)	(314,307)
Other financing sources		
Transfer in Sale of notes payable		409,517
Transfer in bare or noces payable		±00,017
Excess of revenues and other sources over		
	/334 DEG)	05 310
expenditures and other uses	(134,857)	95,210
Beginning fund balance	<u>154,435</u>	59,225
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Ending fund balance	\$ <u>19,578</u>	\$ <u>154,435</u>
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August 23, 2006

Members of the Township Board Lawrence Township Van Buren County, Michigan

The audit work necessary to express an opinion on the financial statements of Lawrence Township included a review of the Township's accounting procedures and the related internal controls. As a result of the review we offer comments and suggestions for your consideration.

Repeat of Prior Year Comments

Internal Controls

There is not adequate segregation of duties in the accounting function. However, because of lack of personnel, this situation is not unusual in small governmental units.

Building Department Fund

The Building Department requires a budget.

<u>Budgets</u>

The budget should be amended if an activity is going to spend more than the amount budgeted.

Unaudited Funds

We did not examine the internal funds of the Fire Department.

The above comments are submitted to you to develop good accounting practices and are not intended to reflect upon the performance of any Township official.

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